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For: APPARATUS FOR PROCESSING A STACKED-TYPE CONNECTOR OF A WIRE HARNESS, A HOUSING HOLDER, APPARATUS AND METHOD AND FOR STACKING HOUSINGS OF STACKED-TYPE CONNECTORS, AND APPARATUS FOR PRESSING A JOINT PORTION OF A STACKED TYPE CONNECTOR

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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56, §1.97-1.98, and supplemental to the Information Disclosure Statement filed in the instant application on March 21, 2002, Applicant hereby calls the following documents, which were cited in a Partial European Search Report dated July 28, 2003 for corresponding European Patent Application No. EP 01 13 0816, to the Examiner's attention:

European Patent Application No. EP 0 903 817 A1, which was published on March 24, 1999;

European Patent Application No. EP 0 963 008 A2, which was published on December 8, 1999;

U.S. Patent No. 4,835,858 to ADLON et al., which issued on June 6, 1989;

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Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. 2001-203026, which was published on July 27, 2001, together with an English language Abstract of the same; and

European Patent Application No. EP 1 107 399 A2, which was published on June 13, 2001.

The category of relevance and pertinent portions of these documents are as noted on the attached copy of the Partial European Search Report.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider and cite the patent documents. Copies of the above-noted documents are attached and have been listed on a PTO-1449 Form which is also attached hereto. Accordingly, the Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the attached PTO-1449 Form and to return a copy of the Form to Applicant with the next official communication in the present application to confirm consideration of these documents.

Applicant notes that an Office Action on the merits has not yet issued in the instant application, and thus, no fee is necessary to ensure consideration of this statement. However, if an Office Action has issued and is crossing in the mail with this statement, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 19-0089 any fee necessary to ensure consideration of the submitted materials.

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Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned
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		1	English Language Abstract of JP Appln. No. 2001-203026.

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